

Consumer Price Index ♦ October 2003

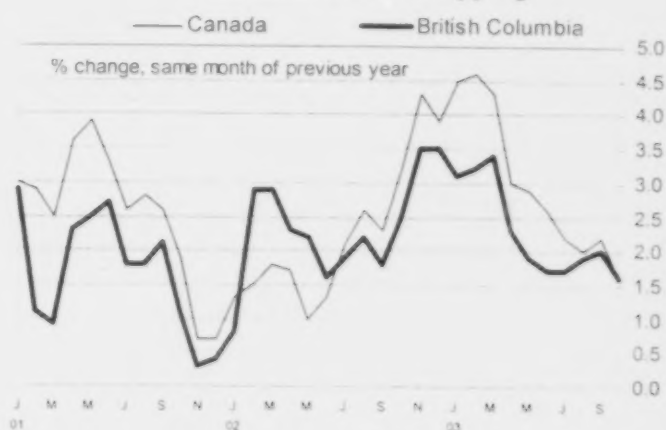
Highlights

- Inflation across the country has slowed, mainly due to price declines for energy. All provinces, with the exception of Quebec, posted declines in their CPI from September 2003.
- On a year-over-year basis, BC's CPI rose 1.6% from October 2002 to October 2003. The lowest price increases were seen in Newfoundland & Labrador with a 0.9% increase in its CPI, while Alberta continued to have the highest inflation rate among the provinces (1.8%). Nationally, the CPI rose 1.6% during the same period.
- Of the metropolitan areas, price increases from October 2002 ranged from a low of 0.9% in St. John's, to a high of 2.3% in Toronto. During the same period, the Vancouver CPI rose 1.4%, while Victoria prices rose 1.8%.
- Contributing to BC's year-over-year inflation were higher prices for education (+20.6%), natural gas (+16.0%), cigarettes (+8.4%), bakery & cereal products (+7.8%), and coffee & tea (+6.3%). Offsetting these increases were lower prices for children's clothing (-6.0%), gasoline (-4.4%), non-alcoholic beverages (-4.3%), footwear (-3.8%), and fish & other seafood (-3.9%). Fuel oil prices fell 0.7% from last October.
- BC's CPI, excluding food and energy, rose 1.6% from last October. The comparable index for Canada rose 1.9%.

Note: Statistics Canada will release the November Consumer Price Index on December 19, 2003.

	1992=100	% Change From	
		October 2003	October 2002
Canada	122.4	-0.2	1.6
BC	120.6	-0.5	1.6
Vancouver	121.3	-0.4	1.4
Victoria	120.4	-0.3	1.8

Inflation Trend Dropping



1992=100	Latest 12-Month Average Index (ending in Oct. 2003)	Latest 12-Month Average % Change	2002 Annual Average % Change
Canada	122.0	3.2	2.2
BC	120.1	2.5	2.3
Vancouver	120.7	2.3	2.2
Victoria	119.7	2.5	2.7

October 2003 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

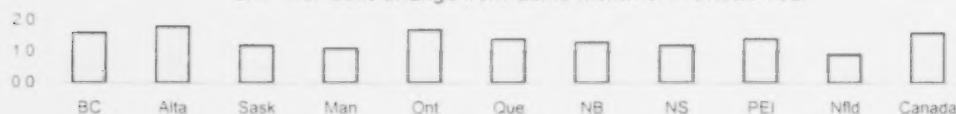
	British Columbia			Canada		
	Index October 2003	% change September 2003	October 2002	Index October 2003	% change September 2003	October 2002
All-Items Index (1992=100)	120.6	-0.5	1.6	122.4	-0.2	1.6
Food	122.3	-0.1	2.7	121.1	-0.2	2.2
Food Purchased From Stores	119.6	-0.2	3.2	119.4	-0.3	2.0
Meat	122.7	0.1	-1.0	126.9	1.3	0.8
Fish & Other Seafood	123.8	-2.4	-3.9	120.7	-1.9	-1.9
Dairy Products & Eggs	127.3	0.6	3.5	124.3	-0.1	3.1
Bakery & Other Cereal Products	123.3	2.2	7.8	127.1	0.4	5.1
Fruit, Fruit Preparations & Nuts	107.8	0.6	2.9	105.9	-1.5	-2.1
Fresh Fruit	103.6	2.1	1.0	106.5	-1.7	-4.3
Vegetables & Vegetable Preparations	95.9	-1.3	2.2	95.4	-0.4	-2.1
Fresh Vegetables	92.6	0.3	3.7	93.2	0.9	-2.9
Other Food Products	125.9	-1.9	5.6	121.1	-1.5	4.0
Coffee & Tea	132.6	-0.4	6.3	127.0	0.4	3.8
Non-Alcoholic Beverages	75.7	-7.9	-4.3	97.9	-5.2	-1.0
Food Purchased From Restaurants	128.3	0.1	1.7	126.0	0.3	2.6
Shelter	104.3	0.6	1.9	118.2	0.3	2.1
Rented Accommodation	114.9	0.1	0.8	117.7	0.2	1.3
Owned Accommodation	91.9	0.9	2.0	112.0	0.8	3.3
Property taxes	148.0	4.4	4.4	126.6	2.8	2.8
Water, Fuel & Electricity	146.1	-0.3	3.6	142.9	-2.1	1.2
Electricity	107.0	0.0	0.5	118.5	0.3	-5.6
Piped Gas	230.3	0.0	16.0	213.0	-8.3	15.6
Fuel Oil & Other Fuel	140.2	-7.2	-0.7	132.7	-3.8	-8.0
Household Operations & Furnishings	122.5	-0.5	1.2	115.1	0.0	1.1
Household Operations	129.1	-0.2	2.4	119.4	0.0	1.4
Household Furnishings	113.4	-1.1	-1.2	108.6	0.2	0.5
Clothing & Footwear	112.5	-0.4	-1.3	105.0	0.0	-2.0
Clothing	109.8	-1.3	-1.8	103.2	-0.5	-2.9
Women's Clothing	110.7	-2.3	-1.9	103.3	-2.0	-2.6
Men's Clothing	112.0	-0.4	0.1	104.9	1.5	-1.3
Children's Clothing	100.2	-0.3	-6.0	98.3	-0.6	-7.8
Footwear	110.3	-0.1	-3.8	105.6	2.1	-1.1
Transportation	136.3	-2.6	-1.0	139.7	-1.6	1.3
Private Transportation	132.0	-2.9	-1.0	137.0	-1.7	1.3
Operation of Motor Vehicles	137.5	-4.4	1.2	147.3	-2.7	5.4
Gasoline	140.0	-11.0	-4.4	131.7	-6.6	-3.2
Public Transportation	176.5	-0.2	-1.2	169.7	-0.1	0.7
Local & Commuter	144.5	0.0	2.3	143.6	0.0	4.5
Inter-City	189.7	-0.2	-2.2	190.5	-0.2	-1.6
Health & Personal Care	124.2	0.2	0.7	117.7	0.1	1.3
Health Care	127.9	-0.1	1.3	122.8	0.1	1.7
Personal Care	120.5	0.6	0.2	113.8	0.0	0.9
Recreation, Education & Reading	132.3	-1.0	4.5	128.3	-0.5	0.5
Recreation	119.6	-1.4	0.2	115.6	-0.5	-1.1
Education & Reading	180.0	0.2	17.3	175.7	-0.1	5.3
Education	189.4	0.2	20.6	194.2	-0.3	6.2
Reading Material & Other Printed Matter	150.6	0.1	4.4	140.4	0.4	2.3
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	136.9	-0.1	4.3	137.0	-0.1	4.4
Alcoholic Beverages	119.3	-0.2	0.7	122.3	0.0	2.5
Alcoholic Beverages Purchased from Stores	116.2	-0.2	0.8	121.9	0.0	2.3
Beer Purchased from Stores	136.0	0.0	3.3	131.4	0.2	3.8
Liquor Purchased from Stores	100.7	0.4	-1.1	108.8	0.2	0.7
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	152.2	-0.1	8.4	134.2	-0.1	6.1
Cigarettes	152.1	-0.1	8.4	133.0	-0.2	6.1
All-Items Excluding Food	120.3	-0.6	1.3	122.7	-0.3	1.4
All-Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	118.0	-0.5	1.5	122.6	-0.2	1.5
All-Items Excluding Food & Energy	118.5	0.0	1.6	121.1	0.2	1.9

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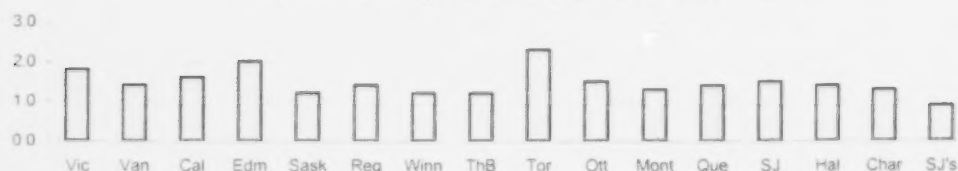
Provinces	Monthly Index			% Chg	Annual Index			% Chg
	October 2003	September 2003	October 2002		2002	2001	2001/02	
Canada	122.4	-0.2	1.6		119.0	116.4	2.2	
Newfoundland & Labrador	120.3	-0.9	0.9		117.3	114.5	2.4	
Prince Edward Island	122.0	-0.2	1.4		117.7	114.6	2.7	
Nova Scotia	123.5	-0.5	1.2		119.8	116.3	3.0	
New Brunswick	122.2	-0.7	1.3		118.6	114.7	3.4	
Quebec	118.3	0.1	1.4		115.5	113.2	2.0	
Ontario	123.6	-0.2	1.7		120.1	117.7	2.0	
Manitoba	125.1	-0.6	1.1		123.1	121.2	1.6	
Saskatchewan	126.6	-0.5	1.2		123.7	120.3	2.8	
Alberta	129.6	-0.4	1.8		124.2	120.1	3.4	
British Columbia	120.6	-0.5	1.6		117.9	115.2	2.3	
Whitehorse	119.6	-0.5	0.7		117.7	116.9	0.7	
Yellowknife	117.2	-0.6	-0.3		116.3	113.0	2.9	
Iqaluit (Dec. 2002=100)	100.5	0.2	n/a		n/a	n/a	n/a	

CPI - Per Cent Change from Same Month of Previous Year



Metropolitan Areas	Monthly Index			% Chg	Annual Index			% Chg
	October 2003	September 2003	October 2002		2002	2001	2001/02	
St. John's	120.4	-0.8	0.9		117.3	114.5	2.4	
Charlottetown	121.1	-0.1	1.3		117.1	114.2	2.5	
Halifax	122.8	-0.3	1.4		119.1	115.5	3.1	
Saint John	122.1	-0.3	1.5		118.2	114.5	3.2	
Quebec City	119.1	0.2	1.4		116.2	113.8	2.1	
Montreal	118.4	0.1	1.3		115.7	113.4	2.0	
Ottawa	125.1	-0.3	1.5		121.9	119.3	2.2	
Toronto	124.5	-0.2	2.3		120.6	118.1	2.1	
Thunder Bay	122.1	-0.4	1.2		119.3	117.5	1.5	
Winnipeg	125.4	-0.6	1.2		123.3	121.5	1.5	
Regina	127.6	-0.5	1.4		124.6	121.3	2.7	
Saskatoon	125.9	-0.3	1.2		123.1	119.7	2.8	
Edmonton	128.1	-0.6	2.0		121.9	118.4	3.0	
Calgary	130.2	-0.2	1.6		125.8	121.3	3.7	
Vancouver	121.3	-0.4	1.4		118.6	116.0	2.2	
Victoria	120.4	-0.3	1.8		117.4	114.3	2.7	

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British Columbia

Main Column				Household							
Year	All Items	% Change		Food	Shelter	Operation	Clothing Footwear	Trans- portation	Health & Personal	Recreation Education	Alcohol Tobacco
		Annual Average									
1999	111.2	1.1		113.6	98.1	115.5	110.1	123.3	114.9	119.1	109.1
2000	113.3	1.9		113.0	99.6	116.9	112.1	130.0	116.7	121.2	109.7
2001	115.2	1.7		117.4	101.2	118.0	112.6	130.5	119.7	122.6	112.3
2002	117.9	2.3		120.6	101.9	121.0	112.6	135.0	121.9	124.7	126.7
2002		Month	Year								
Jan	115.4	0.5	0.8	120.4	101.3	120.2	112.2	128.1	120.1	120.1	115.0
Feb	115.9	0.4	2.9	120.4	101.3	120.3	115.3	128.3	120.8	121.3	117.9
Mar	116.6	0.6	2.9	120.0	101.1	120.8	116.2	131.4	120.5	121.4	123.4
Apr	117.7	0.9	2.3	121.5	101.6	121.4	114.2	135.0	122.0	121.7	123.9
May	118.1	0.3	2.2	120.9	101.8	121.2	112.8	135.9	122.0	125.4	126.2
Jun	118.2	0.1	1.6	121.0	102.0	120.9	111.1	136.0	122.5	126.1	127.8
Jul	118.5	0.3	1.9	120.3	102.1	121.1	110.7	137.2	121.7	127.2	129.9
Aug	118.7	0.2	2.2	120.9	102.1	121.0	110.5	137.7	123.0	127.1	130.4
Sep	118.8	0.1	1.8	119.8	102.0	121.0	113.6	137.6	122.4	128.6	130.5
Oct	118.7	-0.1	2.5	119.1	102.4	121.1	114.0	137.7	123.3	126.6	131.2
Nov	118.9	0.2	3.5	121.0	102.6	121.3	111.6	137.7	122.7	125.6	131.8
Dec	118.8	-0.1	3.5	121.7	102.6	121.3	109.5	137.4	122.0	125.2	131.9
2003											
Jan	119.0	0.2	3.1	122.1	102.7	121.3	110.3	138.0	122.8	125.1	132.2
Feb	119.6	0.5	3.2	121.1	102.9	122.3	112.0	140.3	122.7	126.0	134.0
Mar	120.6	0.8	3.4	122.3	103.2	122.1	113.8	143.2	121.8	126.9	135.2
Apr	120.4	-0.2	2.3	122.7	103.6	121.7	113.5	140.7	122.6	126.9	135.3
May	120.4	0.0	1.9	123.3	103.8	121.9	112.1	138.7	121.9	128.7	136.3
Jun	120.2	-0.2	1.7	123.3	103.8	122.0	110.4	138.2	121.7	128.4	136.4
Jul	120.5	0.2	1.7	123.3	103.8	122.3	111.4	138.6	122.2	129.5	136.4
Aug	120.9	0.3	1.9	123.3	103.9	122.4	109.4	141.0	123.5	129.6	136.8
Sep	121.2	0.2	2.0	122.4	103.7	123.1	113.0	139.9	123.9	133.6	137.0
Oct	120.6	-0.5	1.6	122.3	104.3	122.5	112.5	136.3	124.2	132.3	136.9

Canada

Year	All Items	% Change		Food	Shelter	Household Operation	Clothing Footwear	Trans- portation	Health & Personal	Recreation Education	Alcohol Tobacco	
		Annual Average										
1999	110.5	1.7		110.7	105.1	109.0	105.3	124.5	110.2	119.6	94.5	
2000	113.5	2.7		112.2	108.8	110.0	105.5	130.7	112.0	122.5	97.6	
2001	116.4	2.6		117.2	112.8	112.2	106.0	130.8	114.2	124.3	105.1	
2002	119.0	2.2		120.3	113.8	113.8	105.2	134.4	115.5	126.3	123.6	
2002		Month	Year									
	Jan	116.2	0.3	1.3	120.0	113.0	112.9	102.3	126.9	114.3	122.3	112.2
	Feb	116.9	0.6	1.5	120.6	113.1	113.1	105.4	127.5	114.8	124.1	112.9
	Mar	117.7	0.7	1.8	120.4	113.1	113.7	107.1	130.5	114.5	124.9	114.1
	Apr	118.4	0.6	1.7	120.9	112.8	113.9	106.6	133.8	115.3	124.7	116.8
	May	118.6	0.2	1.0	120.4	113.1	113.8	104.6	134.1	115.7	126.8	118.8
	Jun	119.0	0.3	1.3	120.9	113.1	114.0	104.2	134.0	115.9	127.2	124.1
	Jul	119.6	0.5	2.1	120.9	113.2	114.2	105.0	135.4	115.4	128.4	129.5
	Aug	120.1	0.4	2.6	120.2	114.2	114.3	105.0	137.0	115.6	128.5	129.8
	Sep	120.1	0.0	2.3	119.2	114.6	113.8	107.3	136.8	115.7	128.7	129.9
	Oct	120.5	0.3	3.2	118.5	115.8	113.9	107.1	137.9	116.2	127.7	131.2
	Nov	120.8	0.2	4.3	120.4	115.7	114.0	105.2	139.2	116.2	126.7	131.9
Dec	120.4	-0.3	3.9	121.2	114.0	114.0	102.3	140.1	116.1	126.0	131.6	
2003												
	Jan	121.4	0.8	4.5	122.3	116.2	113.9	101.6	141.9	116.1	125.4	132.0
	Feb	122.3	0.7	4.6	122.1	116.7	114.5	103.8	144.1	116.4	127.1	133.5
	Mar	122.8	0.4	4.3	122.4	117.4	114.5	105.5	144.6	116.1	126.7	133.8
	Apr	121.9	-0.7	3.0	122.4	116.5	114.5	103.8	141.8	116.8	126.3	134.5
	May	122.0	0.1	2.9	122.8	117.1	114.5	103.4	139.8	117.1	127.2	136.2
	Jun	122.1	0.1	2.6	123.2	117.7	114.5	101.0	139.5	116.8	127.6	136.4
	Jul	122.2	0.1	2.2	123.2	117.6	114.6	101.6	139.9	116.9	127.9	136.6
	Aug	122.5	0.2	2.0	122.1	117.7	114.7	101.8	142.4	117.4	128.0	137.1
	Sep	122.7	0.2	2.2	121.3	117.9	115.1	105.0	141.9	117.6	128.9	137.1
Oct	122.4	-0.2	1.6	121.1	118.2	115.1	105.0	139.7	117.7	128.3	137.0	

October 2003 Consumer Price Index (1992=100), Selected Items

BRITISH COLUMBIA	Rented Accom- modation	Owned Accom- modation	Energy for Dwellings			Motor Gasoline	Energy*	Excluding Excluding Food	Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	Excluding Food & Energy	
			Fuel Oil/ Electricity ¹								
			Piped Gas	Other Fuel	Electricity ¹						
1999	110.2	89.0	129.4	106.6	105.6	107.3	110.4	110.7	109.4	110.8	
2000	110.7	89.0	167.4	137.6	105.7	134.3	130.8	113.4	111.5	111.9	
2001	111.9	89.7	222.9	141.0	91.9	134.3	134.3	114.7	113.3	113.0	
2002	113.5	89.7	198.6	131.6	106.3	135.7	135.9	117.3	115.5	115.7	
2002	Jan	112.7	89.2	198.6	123.7	106.1	113.2	123.7	114.3	113.4	113.5
	Feb	112.9	89.2	198.6	119.3	106.1	113.4	123.6	114.9	113.8	114.1
	Mar	113.0	88.9	198.6	121.6	106.1	126.4	130.5	115.9	114.3	114.6
	Apr	113.1	89.4	198.6	130.8	106.1	137.3	136.6	116.9	115.4	115.1
	May	113.3	89.6	198.6	132.2	106.1	139.9	138.0	117.6	115.8	115.7
	Jun	113.5	90.0	198.6	132.2	106.1	140.4	138.3	117.7	115.9	115.9
	Jul	113.6	89.9	198.6	132.2	106.5	141.8	139.3	118.2	116.1	116.3
	Aug	113.8	89.8	198.6	132.2	106.5	142.6	139.7	118.3	116.3	116.4
	Sep	113.8	89.7	198.6	136.2	106.5	144.5	140.8	118.6	116.3	116.7
	Oct	114.0	90.1	198.6	141.2	106.5	146.5	142.1	118.7	116.2	116.6
	Nov	114.1	90.5	198.6	141.0	106.5	144.5	141.0	118.5	116.4	116.5
	Dec	114.2	90.6	198.6	136.6	106.5	138.1	137.5	118.2	116.3	116.5
2003	Jan	114.2	90.5	202.7	143.4	106.8	141.6	139.8	118.4	116.5	116.5
	Feb	114.3	90.6	202.7	150.5	106.8	154.0	146.1	119.3	117.0	117.0
	Mar	114.4	90.8	205.7	178.6	106.8	167.4	153.5	120.2	118.0	117.4
	Apr	114.5	91.0	230.3	165.0	106.8	153.1	147.9	119.9	117.8	117.5
	May	114.5	91.3	230.3	149.8	106.8	142.0	142.1	119.8	117.7	117.8
	Jun	114.6	91.3	230.3	149.8	106.8	142.2	142.2	119.6	117.6	117.6
	Jul	114.7	91.3	230.3	149.8	107.0	144.0	143.2	119.9	117.8	117.9
	Aug	114.7	91.3	230.3	149.8	107.0	160.0	151.0	120.4	118.2	117.8
	Sep	114.8	91.1	230.3	151.1	107.0	157.3	149.8	121.0	118.6	118.5
	Oct	114.9	91.9	230.3	140.2	107.0	140.0	141.0	120.3	118.0	118.5

¹ electricity figure for 2001 reflects BC Hydro rebates in February and March

CANADA		Rented Accom- modation	Owned Accom- modation	Energy for Dwellings			Motor Gasoline	Energy*	Excluding Excluding Food	All Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	All Items Excluding Food & Energy
				Fuel Oil/ Electricity							
				Piped Gas	Other Fuel	Electricity					
	1999	110.2	100.3	130.7	101.3	108.5	108.0	110.2	110.5	112.0	110.5
	2000	111.5	102.9	158.9	143.2	109.2	131.7	128.1	113.9	115.0	112.2
	2001	113.3	105.9	206.0	143.5	111.1	128.3	132.3	116.3	117.7	114.4
	2002	115.5	107.6	168.7	131.8	119.6	127.2	129.6	118.8	119.6	117.5
2002	Jan	114.4	106.5	191.2	120.5	116.3	110.3	121.8	115.5	117.2	114.7
	Feb	114.6	106.6	190.5	119.7	116.1	111.8	122.4	116.2	117.9	115.4
	Mar	114.7	106.7	176.6	122.7	119.3	122.1	127.2	117.2	118.7	116.0
	Apr	115.0	107.1	153.9	130.2	119.4	130.4	129.4	117.9	119.3	116.5
	May	115.2	107.4	155.4	130.1	119.4	128.0	128.4	118.3	119.4	117.0
	Jun	115.4	107.7	153.9	130.1	117.2	126.9	127.0	118.6	119.5	117.5
	Jul	115.6	107.7	145.2	130.1	121.0	130.4	129.0	119.4	120.0	118.2
	Aug	115.9	107.8	147.7	130.1	129.2	133.6	133.4	120.2	120.5	118.5
	Sep	116.0	107.8	155.4	135.1	128.9	133.9	134.6	120.4	120.5	118.7
	Oct	116.2	108.4	184.2	144.2	125.5	136.0	138.4	121.0	120.8	118.9
	Nov	116.4	108.7	183.4	144.8	122.7	133.5	136.2	121.0	121.2	119.2
	Dec	116.5	109.2	187.1	144.5	99.7	130.0	127.6	120.2	120.7	119.3
2003	Jan	116.6	109.4	201.3	158.1	118.4	138.0	140.4	121.3	121.7	119.2
	Feb	116.7	109.7	203.5	176.9	118.4	147.7	146.5	122.4	122.6	119.9
	Mar	116.8	110.0	218.1	198.9	118.3	149.1	149.5	122.9	123.1	120.2
	Apr	116.9	110.3	230.3	163.0	106.3	135.7	137.4	121.9	122.2	120.2
	May	117.0	110.6	210.2	143.7	117.9	126.4	134.4	121.9	122.2	120.4
	Jun	117.1	110.9	228.3	143.7	119.0	127.9	137.0	121.9	122.3	120.2
	Jul	117.2	110.9	226.2	143.7	117.9	130.3	137.6	122.0	122.4	120.3
	Aug	117.4	110.9	223.6	143.7	118.3	142.0	143.5	122.7	122.7	120.5
	Sep	117.5	111.1	232.2	138.0	118.2	141.0	143.4	123.1	122.9	120.9
	Oct	117.7	112.0	213.0	132.7	118.5	131.7	137.0	122.7	122.6	121.1

* Energy includes Piped Gas, Fuel Oil/Other Fuel, Electricity, and Motor Gasoline

October 2003 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

Vancouver

Shelter		% Change		Accommodation		Water, Fuel	
Year	All Items	Annual Average		Shelter	Rented	Owned	Electricity
1999	111.4	0.9		99.0	109.8	90.2	119.1
2000	113.9	2.2		100.8	110.2	90.6	135.7
2001	116.0	1.8		103.3	111.5	91.4	153.0
2002	118.6	2.2		103.4	113.1	91.3	150.0
2002		Month	Year				
Jan	116.3	0.4	0.9	102.8	112.2	90.7	149.6
Feb	116.6	0.3	2.4	102.9	112.5	90.7	149.5
Mar	117.4	0.7	3.0	102.7	112.6	90.4	149.7
Apr	118.4	0.9	2.3	103.3	112.8	91.3	149.9
May	119.0	0.5	2.3	103.6	113.0	91.6	149.8
Jun	119.0	0.0	1.7	103.5	113.1	91.4	149.8
Jul	119.2	0.2	1.9	103.6	113.3	91.4	150.1
Aug	119.3	0.1	2.0	103.5	113.4	91.2	150.1
Sep	119.6	0.3	1.8	103.5	113.5	91.1	150.3
Oct	119.6	0.0	2.7	103.8	113.6	91.6	150.6
Nov	119.7	0.1	3.5	104.0	113.7	91.9	150.4
Dec	119.5	-0.2	3.2	104.1	113.9	91.9	150.2
2003							
Jan	119.7	0.2	2.9	104.1	113.9	91.8	150.7
Feb	120.3	0.5	3.2	104.2	114.0	92.0	150.8
Mar	121.2	0.7	3.2	104.6	114.1	92.4	151.5
Apr	121.0	-0.2	2.2	105.1	114.3	92.5	155.9
May	120.9	-0.1	1.6	105.2	114.3	92.7	155.7
Jun	120.8	-0.1	1.5	105.2	114.4	92.8	155.7
Jul	120.9	0.1	1.4	105.2	114.4	92.7	155.7
Aug	121.5	0.5	1.8	105.1	114.5	92.6	155.7
Sep	121.8	0.2	1.8	105.0	114.7	92.3	155.8
Oct	121.3	-0.4	1.4	105.5	114.8	93.0	155.7

Victoria

Year	All Items	% Change		Shelter	Accommodation		Water, Fuel
		Annual Average			Rented	Owned	Electricity
1999	111.1	1.0		98.1	110.0	89.2	110.2
2000	113.0	1.7		99.2	110.5	89.1	118.8
2001	114.3	1.2		98.9	111.4	89.8	110.3
2002	117.4	2.7		100.8	113.2	90.2	120.5
2002		Month	Year				
Jan	114.9	0.5	1.0	100.1	112.3	89.7	119.1
Feb	115.4	0.4	3.7	100.0	112.6	89.6	118.3
Mar	116.1	0.6	3.3	99.9	112.6	89.3	118.6
Apr	117.1	0.9	2.5	100.2	112.7	89.5	120.2
May	117.6	0.4	2.4	100.4	113.0	89.6	120.5
Jun	117.8	0.2	2.1	100.9	113.1	90.3	120.5
Jul	118.1	0.3	2.3	101.0	113.4	90.4	120.5
Aug	118.3	0.2	2.7	101.0	113.4	90.3	120.5
Sep	118.4	0.1	2.3	100.9	113.5	90.1	121.0
Oct	118.3	-0.1	2.7	101.6	113.7	90.9	122.0
Nov	118.6	0.3	3.7	101.9	113.8	91.3	122.5
Dec	118.4	-0.2	3.6	101.9	113.9	91.3	122.1
2003							
Jan	118.7	0.3	3.3	101.9	114.0	91.2	123.2
Feb	119.2	0.4	3.3	102.1	114.0	91.3	123.8
Mar	120.1	0.8	3.4	102.5	114.1	91.4	128.4
Apr	119.9	-0.2	2.4	102.6	114.2	91.7	127.1
May	119.9	0.0	2.0	102.8	114.1	92.2	124.6
Jun	119.7	-0.2	1.6	102.8	114.1	92.1	124.6
Jul	120.1	0.3	1.7	103.0	114.2	92.4	124.9
Aug	120.5	0.3	1.9	103.2	114.3	92.6	124.9
Sep	120.8	0.2	2.0	102.8	114.4	92.1	124.6
Oct	120.4	-0.3	1.8	103.7	114.6	93.4	122.9

Consumer Price Index ♦ November 2003

Highlights

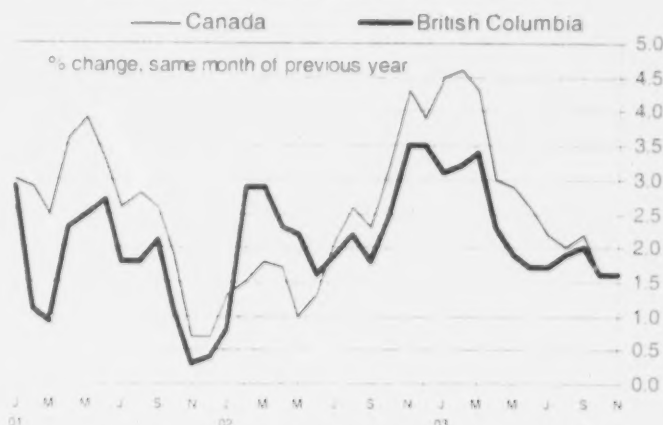
- BC's CPI rose 1.6% from November 2002 to November 2003, matching the increase of 1.6% in October. The lowest price increases were seen in Manitoba and New Brunswick, both recording a 0.6% increase in their CPI, while Ontario posted the highest inflation rate among the provinces (1.7%). Nationally, the CPI rose 1.6% during the same period.
- Of the metropolitan areas, price increases from November 2002 ranged from a low of 0.6% in Winnipeg, to a high of 2.4% in Toronto. During the same period, the Vancouver CPI rose 1.4%, while Victoria prices rose 1.6%.
- Contributing to BC's year-over-year inflation were higher prices for education (+20.6%), natural gas (+16.0%), coffee & tea (+10.3%), and cigarettes (+7.5%). Offsetting these increases were lower prices for children's clothing (-6.4%), non-alcoholic beverages (-4.8%), inter-city transportation (-4.0%), and fresh vegetables (-3.6%). Fuel oil prices fell 1.7% from last November.
- BC's CPI, excluding food and energy, rose 1.6% from last November. The comparable index for Canada rose 1.8%.

Rent Increases: The BC Residential Tenancy Office has announced a maximum rent increase for 2004 of 4.6%. For manufactured home park tenants the 2004 increase will be 2.6%. (<http://www.pssg.gov.bc.ca/rto>)

Note: Statistics Canada will release the December Consumer Price Index on January 22, 2004.

1992=100	Index	% Change From	
	November 2003	October 2003	November 2002
Canada	122.7	0.2	1.6
BC	120.8	0.2	1.6
Vancouver	121.4	0.1	1.4
Victoria	120.5	0.1	1.6
Core Canada ¹	123.7	0.2	1.8

Inflation Stabilizes for BC and Canada



1992=100	Latest 12-Month Average Index (ending in Nov. 2003)	Latest 12-Month Average % Change	2002 Annual Average % Change
Canada	122.1	2.9	2.2
BC	120.3	2.3	2.3
Vancouver	120.9	2.1	2.2
Victoria	119.9	2.4	2.7

¹**The Core CPI for Canada:** Defined by the Bank of Canada as the All-items index excluding the eight most volatile components (fruit, vegetables, gasoline, fuel oil, natural gas, mortgage interest, inter-city transportation and tobacco products). Also excluded is the effect of changes in indirect taxes on the remaining components.

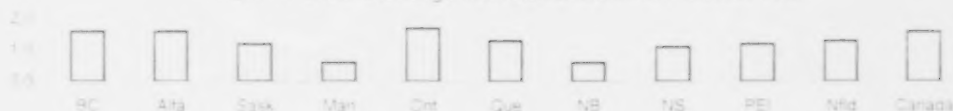
November 2003 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

	British Columbia			Canada		
	Index November 2003	% change October 2003	November 2002	Index November 2003	% change October 2003	November 2002
All-Items Index (1992=100)	120.8	0.2	1.6	122.7	0.2	1.6
Food	123.5	1.0	2.1	122.3	1.0	1.6
Food Purchased From Stores	121.1	1.3	2.0	121.0	1.3	1.1
Meat	127.6	4.0	1.8	130.4	2.8	3.1
Fish & Other Seafood	127.7	3.2	-1.6	120.6	-0.1	-2.3
Dairy Products & Eggs	127.3	0.0	3.6	124.4	0.1	2.7
Bakery & Other Cereal Products	122.6	-0.6	3.5	127.4	0.2	2.0
Fruit, Fruit Preparations & Nuts	108.9	1.0	1.4	106.6	0.7	-1.5
Fresh Fruit	105.3	1.6	-1.0	108.2	1.6	-2.4
Vegetables & Vegetable Preparations	100.2	4.5	-2.7	104.2	-9.2	-6.5
Fresh Vegetables	96.8	4.5	-3.6	103.5	11.1	-9.1
Other Food Products	125.9	0.0	3.9	120.7	-0.3	2.7
Coffee & Tea	134.3	1.3	10.3	127.3	0.2	5.3
Non-Alcoholic Beverages	76.1	0.5	-4.8	97.4	-0.5	-1.5
Food Purchased From Restaurants	128.6	0.2	1.9	126.2	0.2	2.6
Shelter	104.2	-0.1	1.6	118.3	0.1	2.2
Rented Accommodation	115.0	0.1	0.8	117.6	0.1	1.2
Owned Accommodation	91.8	-0.1	1.4	112.1	0.1	3.1
Property taxes	148.0	0.0	4.4	126.6	0.0	2.8
Water, Fuel & Electricity	146.1	0.0	3.6	143.5	0.4	2.9
Electricity	107.0	0.0	0.5	117.1	-1.2	-4.6
Piped Gas	230.3	0.0	16.0	221.7	4.1	20.9
Fuel Oil & Other Fuel	138.6	-1.1	-1.7	135.8	2.3	-6.2
Household Operations & Furnishings	122.7	0.2	1.2	114.9	-0.2	0.8
Household Operations	129.3	0.2	2.4	119.4	0.0	1.3
Household Furnishings	113.6	0.2	-1.1	108.1	-0.5	0.0
Clothing & Footwear	110.1	-2.1	-1.3	104.2	-0.8	-1.0
Clothing	107.3	-2.3	-0.7	102.0	-1.2	-1.5
Women's Clothing	106.4	-3.9	-0.7	101.6	-1.6	-0.7
Men's Clothing	111.3	-0.6	0.8	104.4	-0.5	-0.7
Children's Clothing	99.2	-1.0	-6.4	96.6	-1.7	-7.5
Footwear	110.8	0.5	-2.6	105.6	0.0	-0.1
Transportation	138.2	1.4	0.4	140.9	0.9	1.2
Private Transportation	134.7	2.0	0.7	138.6	1.2	1.2
Operation of Motor Vehicles	138.1	0.4	2.1	146.1	-0.8	3.9
Gasoline	141.1	0.8	-2.4	127.9	-2.9	-4.2
Public Transportation	170.0	-3.7	-2.4	165.7	-2.4	0.4
Local & Commuter	144.5	0.0	2.3	144.8	0.8	5.4
Inter-City	180.1	-5.1	-4.0	182.4	-4.3	-2.5
Health & Personal Care	113.3	-0.7	0.5	118.0	0.3	1.5
Health Care	123.2	0.2	1.7	122.6	-0.2	1.4
Personal Care	118.3	-1.8	-0.8	114.6	0.7	1.8
Recreation, Education & Reading	130.9	-1.1	4.2	127.5	-0.6	0.6
Recreation	117.9	-1.4	-0.3	114.6	-0.9	-1.0
Education & Reading	180.0	0.0	17.3	175.7	0.0	5.3
Education	189.4	0.0	20.6	194.2	0.0	6.2
Reading Material & Other Printed Matter	150.6	0.0	4.4	140.4	0.0	2.3
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	137.0	0.1	3.9	137.6	0.4	4.3
Alcoholic Beverages	119.6	0.3	0.8	122.7	0.3	2.1
Alcoholic Beverages Purchased from Stores	116.1	-0.1	0.4	122.2	0.2	1.7
Beer Purchased from Stores	136.0	0.0	3.3	132.2	0.6	2.9
Liquor Purchased from Stores	99.8	-0.9	-1.9	108.7	-0.1	0.9
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	152.2	0.0	7.5	134.9	0.5	6.1
Cigarettes	152.1	0.0	7.5	133.7	0.5	6.1
All-Items Excluding Food	120.3	0.0	1.5	122.8	0.1	1.5
All-Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	118.1	0.1	1.5	122.9	0.2	1.4
All-Items Excluding Food & Energy	118.4	-0.1	1.6	121.4	0.2	1.8

November 2003 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

Provinces	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	November 2003	October 2003	% Chg November 2002	2002	2001	% Chg 2001/02
Canada	122.7	0.2	1.6	119.0	116.4	2.2
Newfoundland & Labrador	121.1	0.7	1.3	117.3	114.5	2.4
Prince Edward Island	122.5	0.4	1.2	117.7	114.6	2.7
Nova Scotia	123.8	0.2	1.1	119.8	116.3	3.0
New Brunswick	122.2	0.0	0.6	118.6	114.7	3.4
Quebec	118.6	0.3	1.3	115.5	113.2	2.0
Ontario	123.9	0.2	1.7	120.1	117.7	2.0
Manitoba	125.3	0.2	0.6	123.1	121.2	1.6
Saskatchewan	127.1	0.4	1.2	123.7	120.3	2.8
Alberta	130.0	0.3	1.6	124.2	120.1	3.4
British Columbia	120.8	0.2	1.6	117.9	115.2	2.3
Whitehorse	118.8	-0.7	-0.4	117.7	116.9	0.7
Yellowknife	118.1	0.8	0.3	116.3	113.0	2.9
Iqaluit (Dec. 2002=100)	100.7	0.2	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

CPI - Per Cent Change from Same Month of Previous Year



Metropolitan Areas	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	November 2003	October 2003	% Chg November 2002	2002	2001	% Chg 2001/02
St. John's	121.0	0.5	1.2	117.3	114.5	2.4
Charlottetown	121.6	0.4	1.2	117.1	114.2	2.5
Halifax	123.0	0.2	1.2	115.1	115.5	3.1
Saint John	122.0	-0.1	0.8	118.2	114.5	3.2
Quebec City	119.4	0.3	1.4	116.2	113.8	2.1
Montreal	119.7	0.3	1.4	115.7	113.4	2.0
Ottawa	125.6	0.4	1.7	121.9	119.3	2.2
Toronto	125.0	0.4	2.4	120.6	118.1	2.1
Thunder Bay	122.4	0.2	1.3	119.3	117.5	1.5
Winnipeg	125.4	0.0	0.6	123.3	121.5	1.5
Regina	128.2	0.5	1.4	124.6	121.3	2.7
Saskatoon	126.4	0.4	1.1	123.1	119.7	2.8
Edmonton	128.5	0.3	2.0	121.9	118.4	3.0
Calgary	130.7	0.4	1.2	125.8	121.3	3.7
Vancouver	121.4	0.1	1.4	118.6	116.0	2.2
Victoria	120.5	0.1	1.6	117.4	114.3	2.7

CPI - Per Cent Change from Same Month of Previous Year



November 2003 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

British Columbia

Maryland				Washington, D.C.							
Year	All Items	% Change		Food	Shelter	Household Operation	Clothing Footwear	Trans- portation	Health & Personal	Recreation Education	Alcohol Tobacco
		Annual	Average								
1999	111.2	1.1		113.6	98.1	115.5	110.1	123.3	114.9	119.1	109.1
2000	113.3	1.9		113.0	99.6	116.9	112.1	130.0	116.7	121.2	109.7
2001	115.2	1.7		117.4	101.2	118.0	112.6	130.5	119.7	122.6	112.3
2002	117.9	2.3		120.6	101.9	121.0	112.6	135.0	121.9	124.7	126.7
2002											
		Month	Year								
Jan	115.4	0.5	0.8	120.4	101.3	120.2	112.2	128.1	120.1	120.1	115.0
Feb	115.9	0.4	2.9	120.4	101.3	120.3	115.3	128.3	120.8	121.3	117.9
Mar	116.6	0.6	2.9	120.0	101.1	120.8	116.2	131.4	120.5	121.4	123.4
Apr	117.7	0.9	2.3	121.5	101.6	121.4	114.2	135.0	122.0	121.7	123.9
May	118.1	0.3	2.2	120.9	101.8	121.2	112.8	135.9	122.0	125.4	126.2
Jun	118.2	0.1	1.6	121.0	102.0	120.9	111.1	136.0	122.5	126.1	127.8
Jul	118.5	0.3	1.9	120.3	102.1	121.1	110.7	137.2	121.7	127.2	129.9
Aug	118.7	0.2	2.2	120.9	102.1	121.0	110.5	137.7	123.0	127.1	130.4
Sep	118.8	0.1	1.8	119.8	102.0	121.0	113.6	137.6	122.4	128.6	130.5
Oct	118.7	-0.1	2.5	119.1	102.4	121.1	114.0	137.7	123.3	126.6	131.2
Nov	118.9	0.2	3.5	121.0	102.6	121.3	111.6	137.7	122.7	125.6	131.8
Dec	118.8	-0.1	3.5	121.7	102.6	121.3	109.5	137.4	122.0	125.2	131.9
2003											
Jan	119.0	0.2	3.1	122.1	102.7	121.3	110.3	138.0	122.8	125.1	132.2
Feb	119.6	0.5	3.2	121.1	102.9	122.3	112.0	140.3	122.7	126.0	134.0
Mar	120.6	0.8	3.4	122.3	103.2	122.1	113.8	143.2	121.8	126.9	135.2
Apr	120.4	-0.2	2.3	122.7	103.6	121.7	113.5	140.7	122.6	126.9	135.3
May	120.4	0.0	1.9	123.3	103.8	121.9	112.1	138.7	121.9	128.7	136.3
Jun	120.2	-0.2	1.7	123.3	103.8	122.0	110.4	138.2	121.7	128.4	136.4
Jul	120.5	0.2	1.7	123.3	103.8	122.3	111.4	138.6	122.2	129.5	136.4
Aug	120.9	0.3	1.9	123.3	103.9	122.4	109.4	141.0	123.5	129.6	136.8
Sep	121.2	0.2	2.0	122.4	103.7	123.1	113.0	139.9	123.9	133.6	137.0
Oct	120.6	-0.5	1.6	122.3	104.3	122.5	112.5	136.3	124.2	132.3	136.9
Nov	120.8	0.2	1.6	123.5	104.2	122.7	110.1	138.2	123.3	130.9	137.0

Canada

Year	All Items	% Change		Food	Shelter	Household Operation	Clothing Footwear	Trans- portation	Health & Personal	Recreation Education	Alcohol Tobacco
		Annual Average									
1999	110.5	1.7		110.7	105.1	109.0	105.3	124.5	110.2	119.6	94.5
2000	113.5	2.7		112.2	108.8	110.0	105.5	130.7	112.0	122.5	97.6
2001	116.4	2.6		117.2	112.8	112.2	106.0	130.8	114.2	124.3	105.1
2002	119.0	2.2		120.3	113.8	113.8	105.2	134.4	115.5	126.3	123.6
2002		Month	Year								
Jan	116.2	0.3	1.3	120.0	113.0	112.9	102.3	126.9	114.3	122.3	112.2
Feb	116.9	0.6	1.5	120.6	113.1	113.1	105.4	127.5	114.8	124.1	112.9
Mar	117.7	0.7	1.8	120.4	113.1	113.7	107.1	130.5	114.5	124.9	114.1
Apr	118.4	0.6	1.7	120.9	112.8	113.9	106.6	133.8	115.3	124.7	116.8
May	118.6	0.2	1.0	120.4	113.1	113.8	104.6	134.1	115.7	126.8	118.8
Jun	119.0	0.3	1.3	120.9	113.1	114.0	104.2	134.0	115.9	127.2	124.1
Jul	119.6	0.5	2.1	120.9	113.2	114.2	105.0	135.4	115.4	128.4	129.5
Aug	120.1	0.4	2.6	120.2	114.2	114.3	105.0	137.0	115.6	128.5	129.8
Sep	120.1	0.0	2.3	119.2	114.6	113.8	107.3	136.8	115.7	128.7	129.9
Oct	120.5	0.3	3.2	118.5	115.8	113.9	107.1	137.9	116.2	127.7	131.2
Nov	120.8	0.2	4.3	120.4	115.7	114.0	105.2	139.2	116.2	126.7	131.9
Dec	120.4	-0.3	3.9	121.2	114.0	114.0	102.3	140.1	116.1	126.0	131.6
2003											
Jan	121.4	0.8	4.5	122.3	116.2	113.9	101.6	141.9	116.1	125.4	132.0
Feb	122.3	0.7	4.6	122.1	116.7	114.5	103.8	144.1	116.4	127.1	133.5
Mar	122.8	0.4	4.3	122.4	117.4	114.5	105.5	144.6	116.1	126.7	133.8
Apr	121.9	-0.7	3.0	122.4	116.5	114.5	103.8	141.8	116.8	126.3	134.5
May	122.0	0.1	2.9	122.8	117.1	114.5	103.4	139.8	117.1	127.2	136.2
Jun	122.1	0.1	2.6	123.2	117.7	114.5	101.0	139.5	116.8	127.6	136.4
Jul	122.2	0.1	2.2	123.2	117.6	114.6	101.6	139.9	116.9	127.9	136.6
Aug	122.5	0.2	2.0	122.1	117.7	114.7	101.8	142.4	117.4	128.0	137.1
Sep	122.7	0.2	2.2	121.3	117.9	115.1	105.0	141.9	117.6	128.9	137.1
Oct	122.4	-0.2	1.6	121.1	118.2	115.1	105.0	139.7	117.7	128.3	137.0
Nov	122.7	0.2	1.6	122.3	118.3	114.9	104.2	140.9	118.0	127.5	137.6

November 2003 Consumer Price Index (1992=100), Selected Items

BRITISH COLUMBIA	Rented Accom- modation	Owned Accom- modation	Energy for Dwellings			Motor Gasoline	Energy*	Excluding Excluding Food	Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	Excluding Food & Energy	
			Fuel Oil								
			Piped Gas	Other Fuel	Electricity						
1999	110.2	89.0	129.4	106.6	105.6	107.3	110.4	110.7	109.4	110.8	
2000	110.7	89.0	167.4	-37.6	105.7	134.3	130.8	113.4	111.5	111.9	
2001	111.9	89.7	222.9	141.0	91.9	134.3	134.3	114.7	113.3	113.0	
2002	113.5	89.7	198.6	131.6	106.3	135.7	135.9	117.3	115.5	115.7	
2002	Jan	112.7	89.2	198.6	123.7	106.1	113.2	123.7	114.3	113.4	113.5
	Feb	112.9	89.2	198.6	119.3	106.1	113.4	123.6	114.9	113.8	114.1
	Mar	113.0	88.9	198.6	121.6	106.1	126.4	130.5	115.9	114.3	114.6
	Apr	113.1	89.4	198.6	130.8	106.1	137.3	136.6	116.9	115.4	115.1
	May	113.3	89.6	198.6	132.2	106.1	139.9	138.0	117.6	115.8	115.7
	Jun	113.5	90.0	198.6	132.2	106.1	140.4	138.3	117.7	115.9	115.9
	Jul	113.6	89.9	198.6	132.2	106.5	141.8	139.3	118.2	116.1	116.3
	Aug	113.8	89.8	198.6	132.2	106.5	142.6	139.7	118.3	116.3	116.4
	Sep	113.8	89.7	198.6	136.2	106.5	144.5	140.8	118.6	116.3	116.7
	Oct	114.0	90.1	198.6	141.2	106.5	146.5	142.1	118.7	116.2	116.6
	Nov	114.1	90.5	198.6	141.0	106.5	144.5	141.0	118.5	116.4	116.5
	Dec	114.2	90.6	198.6	136.6	106.5	138.1	137.5	118.2	116.3	116.5
2003	Jan	114.2	90.5	202.7	143.4	106.8	141.6	139.8	118.4	116.5	116.5
	Feb	114.3	90.6	202.7	150.5	106.8	154.0	146.1	119.3	117.0	117.0
	Mar	114.4	90.8	205.7	178.6	106.8	167.4	153.5	120.2	118.0	117.4
	Apr	114.5	91.0	230.3	165.0	106.8	153.1	147.9	119.9	117.8	117.5
	May	114.5	91.3	230.3	149.8	106.8	142.0	142.1	119.8	117.7	117.8
	Jun	114.6	91.3	230.3	149.8	106.8	142.2	142.2	119.6	117.6	117.6
	Jul	114.7	91.3	230.3	149.8	107.0	144.0	143.2	119.9	117.8	117.9
	Aug	114.7	91.3	230.3	149.8	107.0	160.0	151.0	120.4	118.2	117.8
	Sep	114.8	91.1	230.3	151.1	107.0	157.3	149.8	121.0	118.6	118.5
	Oct	114.9	91.9	230.3	140.2	107.0	140.0	141.0	120.3	118.0	118.5
	Nov	115.0	91.8	230.3	138.6	107.0	141.1	141.6	120.3	118.1	118.4

* electricity figure for 2001 reflects BC Hydro rebates in February and March

CANADA		Rented Accommodation	Owned Accommodation	Energy for Dwellings			Motor Gasoline	Energy*	Excluding Excluding Food	All Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	All Items Excluding Food & Energy
				Fuel Oil/		Electricity					
				Piped Gas	Other Fuel						
	1999	110.2	100.3	130.7	101.3	108.5	108.0	110.2	110.5	112.0	110.5
	2000	111.5	102.9	158.9	143.2	109.2	131.7	128.1	113.9	115.0	112.2
	2001	113.3	105.9	206.0	143.5	111.1	128.3	132.3	116.3	117.7	114.4
	2002	115.5	107.6	168.7	131.8	119.6	127.2	129.6	118.8	119.6	117.5
2002	Jan	114.4	106.5	191.2	120.5	116.3	110.3	121.8	115.5	117.2	114.7
	Feb	114.6	106.6	190.5	119.7	116.1	111.8	122.4	116.2	117.9	115.4
	Mar	114.7	106.7	176.6	122.7	119.3	122.1	127.2	117.2	118.7	116.0
	Apr	115.0	107.1	153.9	130.2	119.4	130.4	129.4	117.9	119.3	116.5
	May	115.2	107.4	155.4	130.1	119.4	128.0	128.4	118.3	119.4	117.0
	Jun	115.4	107.7	153.9	130.1	117.2	126.9	127.0	118.6	119.5	117.5
	Jul	115.6	107.7	145.2	130.1	121.0	130.4	129.0	119.4	120.0	118.2
	Aug	115.9	107.8	147.7	130.1	129.2	133.6	133.4	120.2	120.5	118.5
	Sep	116.0	107.8	155.4	135.1	128.9	133.9	134.6	120.4	120.5	118.7
	Oct	116.2	108.4	184.2	144.2	125.5	136.0	138.4	121.0	120.8	118.9
	Nov	116.4	108.7	183.4	144.8	122.7	133.5	136.2	121.0	121.2	119.2
	Dec	116.5	109.2	187.1	144.5	99.7	130.0	127.6	120.2	120.7	119.3
2003	Jan	116.6	109.4	201.3	158.1	118.4	138.0	140.4	121.3	121.7	119.2
	Feb	116.7	109.7	203.5	176.9	118.4	147.7	146.5	122.4	122.6	119.9
	Mar	116.8	110.0	218.1	198.9	118.3	149.1	149.5	122.9	123.1	120.2
	Apr	116.9	110.3	230.3	163.0	106.3	135.7	137.4	121.9	122.2	120.2
	May	117.0	110.6	210.2	143.7	117.9	126.4	134.4	121.9	122.2	120.4
	Jun	117.1	110.9	228.3	143.7	119.0	127.9	137.0	121.9	122.3	120.2
	Jul	117.2	110.9	226.2	143.7	117.9	130.3	137.6	122.0	122.4	120.3
	Aug	117.4	110.9	223.8	143.7	118.3	142.0	143.5	122.7	122.7	120.5
	Sep	117.5	111.1	232.2	138.0	118.2	141.0	143.4	123.1	122.9	120.9
	Oct	117.7	112.0	213.0	132.7	118.5	131.7	137.0	122.7	122.6	121.1
	Nov	117.8	112.1	221.7	135.8	117.1	127.9	135.4	122.8	122.9	121.4

* Energy includes Piped Gas, Fuel Oil, Other Fuel, Electricity, and Motor Gasoline

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Vancouver

		% Change						
Year	All Items	Annual Average		Shelter	Rented	Owned	Water, Fuel Electricity	
1999	111.4	0.9		99.0	109.8	90.2	119.1	
2000	113.9	2.2		100.8	110.2	90.6	135.7	
2001	116.0	1.8		103.3	111.5	91.4	153.0	
2002	118.6	2.2		103.4	113.1	91.3	150.0	
		Month	Year					
Jan	116.3	0.4	0.9	102.8	112.2	90.7	149.6	
Feb	116.6	0.3	2.4	102.9	112.5	90.7	149.5	
Mar	117.4	0.7	3.0	102.7	112.6	90.4	149.7	
Apr	118.4	0.9	2.3	103.3	112.8	91.3	149.9	
May	119.0	0.5	2.3	103.6	113.0	91.6	149.8	
Jun	119.0	0.0	1.7	103.5	113.1	91.4	149.8	
Jul	119.2	0.2	1.9	103.6	113.3	91.4	150.1	
Aug	119.3	0.1	2.0	103.5	113.4	91.2	150.1	
Sep	119.6	0.3	1.8	103.5	113.5	91.1	150.3	
Oct	119.6	0.0	2.7	103.8	113.6	91.6	150.6	
Nov	119.7	0.1	3.5	104.0	113.7	91.9	150.4	
Dec	119.5	-0.2	3.2	104.1	113.9	91.9	150.2	
2003								
Jan	119.7	0.2	2.9	104.1	113.9	91.8	150.7	
Feb	120.3	0.5	3.2	104.2	114.0	92.0	150.8	
Mar	121.2	0.7	3.2	104.6	114.1	92.4	151.5	
Apr	121.0	-0.2	2.2	105.1	114.3	92.5	155.9	
May	120.9	-0.1	1.6	105.2	114.3	92.7	155.7	
Jun	120.8	-0.1	1.5	105.2	114.4	92.8	155.7	
Jul	120.9	0.1	1.4	105.2	114.4	92.7	155.7	
Aug	121.5	0.5	1.8	105.1	114.5	92.6	155.7	
Sep	121.8	0.2	1.8	105.0	114.7	92.3	155.8	
Oct	121.3	-0.4	1.4	105.5	114.8	93.0	155.7	
Nov	121.4	0.1	1.4	105.5	114.8	92.9	155.7	

Victoria

Year	All Items	% Change		Shelter	Accommodation		Water, Fuel	
		Annual Average			Rented	Owned	Electricity	
1999	111.1	1.0		98.1	110.0	89.2	110.2	
2000	113.0	1.7		99.2	110.5	89.1	118.8	
2001	114.3	1.2		98.9	111.4	89.8	110.3	
2002	117.4	2.7		100.8	113.2	90.2	120.5	
2002		Month	Year					
	Jan	114.9	0.5	1.0	100.1	112.3	89.7	119.1
	Feb	115.4	0.4	3.7	100.0	112.6	89.6	118.3
	Mar	116.1	0.6	3.3	99.9	112.6	89.3	118.6
	Apr	117.1	0.9	2.5	100.2	112.7	89.5	120.2
	May	117.6	0.4	2.4	100.4	113.0	89.6	120.5
	Jun	117.8	0.2	2.1	100.9	113.1	90.3	120.5
	Jul	118.1	0.3	2.3	101.0	113.4	90.4	120.5
	Aug	118.3	0.2	2.7	101.0	113.4	90.3	120.5
	Sep	118.4	0.1	2.3	100.9	113.5	90.1	121.0
	Oct	118.3	-0.1	2.7	101.6	113.7	90.9	122.0
	Nov	118.6	0.3	3.7	101.9	113.8	91.3	122.5
Dec	118.4	-0.2	3.6	101.9	113.9	91.3	122.1	
2003								
	Jan	118.7	0.3	3.3	101.9	114.0	91.2	123.2
	Feb	119.2	0.4	3.3	102.1	114.0	91.3	123.8
	Mar	120.1	0.8	3.4	102.5	114.1	91.4	128.4
	Apr	119.9	-0.2	2.4	102.6	114.2	91.7	127.1
	May	119.9	0.0	2.0	102.8	114.1	92.2	124.6
	Jun	119.7	-0.2	1.6	102.8	114.1	92.1	124.6
	Jul	120.1	0.3	1.7	103.0	114.2	92.4	124.9
	Aug	120.5	0.3	1.9	103.2	114.3	92.6	124.9
	Sep	120.8	0.2	2.0	102.8	114.4	92.1	124.6
	Oct	120.4	-0.3	1.8	103.7	114.6	93.4	122.9
	Nov	120.5	0.1	1.6	103.5	114.7	93.2	122.9

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Highlights – Annual Averages

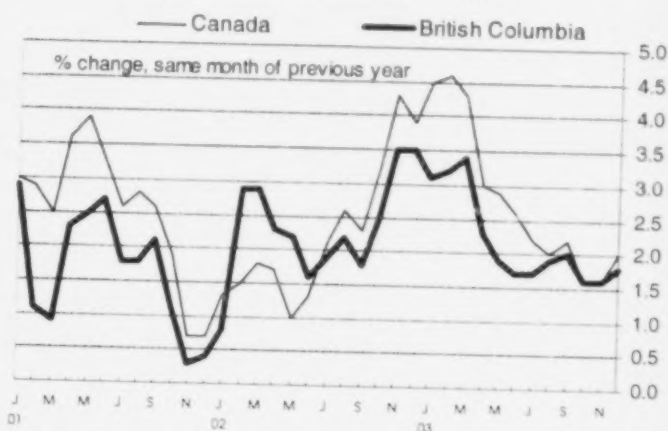
- British Columbia's annual average all-items Consumer Price Index was 2.1% higher in 2003 than in 2002. The lowest annual increase was seen in Manitoba at 1.8%, while the highest increase was in Prince Edward Island at 3.6%. Nationally, consumer prices rose 2.8% from 2002.
- Of the metropolitan areas, annual average price increases from 2002 ranged from a low of 1.8% in Winnipeg, to a high of 5.3% in Edmonton. During the same period, the Vancouver CPI rose 2.0%, while Victoria prices rose 2.2%.
- Higher energy prices and tuition fees were the main contributors to BC's annual inflation. BC consumers paid more in 2003 for education (+16.6%), cigarettes (+14.9%), fuel oil (+14.7%), piped gas (+12.6%), and gasoline (+9.4%). Modest increases in prices were seen for food (+1.8%), shelter (+1.8%), household operation and furnishings (+1.1%), and health and personal care (+0.7%). Clothing and footwear prices declined from 2002 (-1.1%).
- BC's 2003 annual average CPI, excluding food and energy, rose 1.8% from 2002.

Rent Increases: The BC Residential Tenancy Office has announced a maximum rent increase for 2004 of 4.6%. For manufactured home park tenants the 2004 increase will be 2.6%. (<http://www.pssg.gov.bc.ca/rto>)

Note: Statistics Canada will release the January Consumer Price Index on February 20, 2004.

1992=100	% Change From		
	December 2003	November 2003	December 2002
Canada	122.8	0.1	2.0
BC	120.9	0.1	1.8
Vancouver	121.6	0.2	1.8
Victoria	120.7	0.2	1.9
Core Canada ¹	123.5	-0.2	2.2

Slight Rise In Inflation Trend



1992=100	2003 Annual Average Index	2003 Annual Average % Change	2002 Annual Average % Change
Canada	122.3	2.8	2.2
BC	120.4	2.1	2.3
Vancouver	121.0	2.0	2.2
Victoria	120.0	2.2	2.7

¹The Core CPI for Canada: Defined by the Bank of Canada as the All-items index excluding the eight most volatile components (fruit, vegetables, gasoline, fuel oil, natural gas, mortgage interest, inter-city transportation and tobacco products). Also excluded is the effect of changes in indirect taxes on the remaining components.

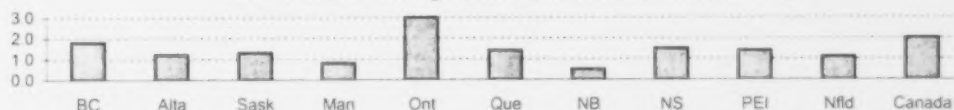
December 2003 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

	British Columbia			Canada		
	Index December 2003	% Change November 2003	December 2002	Index December 2003	% Change November 2003	December 2002
All-Items Index (1992=100)	120.9	0.1	1.8	122.8	0.1	2.0
Food	124.4	0.7	2.2	123.4	0.9	1.8
Food Purchased From Stores	122.5	1.2	2.5	122.5	1.2	1.6
Meat	127.6	0.0	3.2	129.4	-0.8	2.5
Fish & Other Seafood	129.5	1.4	-0.5	121.2	0.5	-1.7
Dairy Products & Eggs	127.0	-0.2	2.5	124.6	0.2	2.9
Bakery & Other Cereal Products	126.0	2.8	2.6	128.5	0.9	1.7
Fruit, Fruit Preparations & Nuts	107.7	-1.1	0.2	107.5	0.8	-2.7
Fresh Fruit	103.5	-1.7	-1.4	109.9	1.6	-4.0
Vegetables & Vegetable Preparations	105.3	5.1	0.7	113.7	9.1	-2.0
Fresh Vegetables	103.8	7.2	2.1	116.4	12.5	-2.7
Other Food Products	127.4	1.2	4.3	121.7	0.8	3.6
Coffee & Tea	132.1	-1.6	1.5	127.5	0.2	3.4
Non-Alcoholic Beverages	74.1	-2.6	-1.6	97.3	-0.1	3.2
Food Purchased From Restaurants	128.5	-0.1	1.4	126.5	0.2	2.6
Shelter	104.5	0.3	1.9	118.8	0.4	4.2
Rented Accommodation	115.2	0.2	0.9	117.9	0.1	1.2
Owned Accommodation	92.1	0.3	1.7	112.4	0.3	2.9
Property taxes	148.0	0.0	4.4	126.6	0.0	2.8
Water, Fuel & Electricity	146.4	0.2	4.1	145.5	1.4	15.0
Electricity	107.0	0.0	0.5	118.5	1.2	18.9
Piped Gas	230.3	0.0	16.0	225.6	1.8	20.6
Fuel Oil & Other Fuel	145.4	4.9	6.4	140.3	3.3	-2.9
Household Operations & Furnishings	122.7	0.0	1.2	114.9	0.0	0.8
Household Operations	129.8	0.4	2.4	119.7	0.3	1.3
Household Furnishings	112.8	-0.7	-1.0	107.6	-0.5	0.1
Clothing & Footwear	108.8	-1.2	-0.6	102.5	-1.6	0.2
Clothing	105.7	-1.5	0.3	100.1	-1.9	0.2
Women's Clothing	103.9	-2.3	-0.3	99.5	-2.1	1.1
Men's Clothing	110.6	-0.6	2.5	102.5	-1.8	0.6
Children's Clothing	98.4	-0.8	-4.4	95.6	-1.0	-4.7
Footwear	108.8	-1.8	-3.5	103.1	-2.4	-0.7
Transportation	138.1	-0.1	0.5	140.8	-0.1	0.5
Private Transportation	134.0	-0.5	0.4	138.1	-0.4	0.2
Operation of Motor Vehicles	137.3	-0.6	1.7	145.7	-0.3	2.5
Gasoline	138.5	-1.8	0.3	127.3	-0.5	-2.1
Public Transportation	177.4	4.4	2.4	171.5	3.5	3.4
Local & Commuter	144.5	0.0	2.3	144.8	0.0	5.4
Inter-City	191.0	6.1	2.4	192.8	5.7	2.2
Health & Personal Care	122.6	-0.6	0.5	117.6	-0.3	1.3
Health Care	128.2	0.0	1.2	122.9	0.2	1.6
Personal Care	116.7	-1.4	-0.5	113.7	-0.8	1.1
Recreation, Education & Reading	130.3	-0.5	4.1	126.5	-0.8	0.4
Recreation	117.2	-0.6	-0.7	113.4	-1.0	-1.5
Education & Reading	179.7	-0.2	17.9	175.3	-0.2	5.9
Education	189.4	0.0	20.9	194.2	0.0	6.8
Reading Material & Other Printed Matter	149.4	-0.8	5.1	138.8	-1.1	2.4
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	138.5	1.1	5.0	140.1	1.8	6.5
Alcoholic Beverages	119.9	0.3	1.0	122.5	-0.2	2.2
Alcoholic Beverages Purchased from Stores	116.5	0.3	0.6	121.9	-0.2	1.7
Beer Purchased from Stores	136.0	0.0	3.3	131.8	-0.3	3.5
Liquor Purchased from Stores	100.8	1.0	-1.2	108.6	-0.1	0.4
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	155.3	2.0	9.7	139.3	3.3	10.0
Cigarettes	155.2	2.0	9.7	138.1	3.3	10.0
All-Items Excluding Food	120.2	-0.1	1.7	122.7	-0.1	2.1
All-Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	118.2	0.1	1.6	122.9	0.0	1.8
All-Items Excluding Food & Energy	118.4	0.0	1.6	121.2	-0.2	1.6

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Provinces	Monthly Index			% Change		
	December 2003	November 2003	December 2002	2003	2002	2002/03
Canada	122.8	0.1	2.0	122.3	119.0	2.8
Newfoundland & Labrador	120.3	-0.7	1.1	120.7	117.3	2.9
Prince Edward Island	122.0	-0.4	1.4	121.9	117.7	3.6
Nova Scotia	123.5	-0.2	1.5	123.9	119.8	3.4
New Brunswick	122.0	-0.2	0.5	122.6	118.6	3.4
Quebec	118.6	0.0	1.4	118.4	115.5	2.5
Ontario	124.2	0.2	3.0	123.3	120.1	2.7
Manitoba	125.6	0.2	0.8	125.3	123.1	1.8
Saskatchewan	127.0	-0.1	1.3	126.5	123.7	2.3
Alberta	129.9	-0.1	1.2	129.7	124.2	4.4
British Columbia	120.9	0.1	1.8	120.4	117.9	2.1
Whitehorse	118.9	0.1	-0.4	119.9	117.7	1.9
Yellowknife	118.2	0.1	0.1	118.4	116.3	1.8
Iqaluit (Dec. 2002=100)	100.5	-0.2	0.5	100.2	n/a	n/a

CPI - Per Cent Change from Same Month of Previous Year



Metropolitan Areas	Monthly Index			% Change		
	December 2003	November 2003	December 2002	2003	2002	2002/03
St. John's	120.3	-0.6	1.0	120.6	117.3	2.8
Charlottetown	121.1	-0.4	1.3	120.9	117.1	3.2
Halifax	122.7	-0.2	1.6	122.9	119.1	3.2
Saint John	121.8	-0.2	0.7	122.2	118.2	3.4
Quebec City	119.4	0.0	1.5	119.1	116.2	2.5
Montreal	118.7	0.0	1.4	118.4	115.7	2.3
Ottawa	125.8	0.2	2.8	124.9	121.9	2.5
Toronto	125.4	0.3	2.6	124.2	120.6	3.0
Thunder Bay	122.6	0.2	2.8	122.1	119.3	2.3
Winnipeg	125.7	0.2	0.8	125.5	123.3	1.8
Regina	127.9	-0.2	1.3	127.5	124.6	2.3
Saskatoon	126.1	-0.2	1.1	125.8	123.1	2.2
Edmonton	128.4	-0.1	1.3	128.4	121.9	5.3
Calgary	130.7	0.0	1.3	130.2	125.8	3.5
Vancouver	121.6	0.2	1.8	121.0	118.6	2.0
Victoria	120.7	0.2	1.9	120.0	117.4	2.2

CPI - Per Cent Change from Same Month of Previous Year



December 2003 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

British Columbia

2000				2001							
Year	All Items	% Change		Food	Shelter	Household Operation	Clothing Footwear	Trans- portation	Health & Personal	Recreation Education	Alcohol Tobacco
		Annual Average									
2000	113.3	1.9		113.0	99.6	116.9	112.1	130.0	116.7	121.2	109.7
2001	115.2	1.7		117.4	101.2	118.0	112.6	130.5	119.7	122.6	112.3
2002	117.9	2.3		120.6	101.9	121.0	112.6	135.0	121.9	124.7	126.7
2003	120.4	2.1		122.8	103.7	122.3	111.4	139.3	122.8	129.0	136.0
2002											
		Month	Year								
Jan	115.4	0.5	0.8	120.4	101.3	120.2	112.2	128.1	120.1	120.1	115.0
Feb	115.9	0.4	2.9	120.4	101.3	120.3	115.3	128.3	120.8	121.3	117.9
Mar	116.6	0.6	2.9	120.0	101.1	120.8	116.2	131.4	120.5	121.4	123.4
Apr	117.7	0.9	2.3	121.5	101.6	121.4	114.2	135.0	122.0	121.7	123.9
May	118.1	0.3	2.2	120.9	101.8	121.2	112.8	135.9	122.0	125.4	126.2
Jun	118.2	0.1	1.6	121.0	102.0	120.9	111.1	136.0	122.5	126.1	127.8
Jul	118.5	0.3	1.9	120.3	102.1	121.1	110.7	137.2	121.7	127.2	129.9
Aug	118.7	0.2	2.2	120.9	102.1	121.0	110.5	137.7	123.0	127.1	130.4
Sep	118.8	0.1	1.8	119.8	102.0	121.0	113.6	137.6	122.4	128.6	130.5
Oct	118.7	-0.1	2.5	119.1	102.4	121.1	114.0	137.7	123.3	126.6	131.2
Nov	118.9	0.2	3.5	121.0	102.6	121.3	111.6	137.7	122.7	125.6	131.8
Dec	118.8	-0.1	3.5	121.7	102.6	121.3	109.5	137.4	122.0	125.2	131.9
2003											
Jan	119.0	0.2	3.1	122.1	102.7	121.3	110.3	138.0	122.8	125.1	132.2
Feb	119.6	0.5	3.2	121.1	102.9	122.3	112.0	140.3	122.7	126.0	134.0
Mar	120.6	0.8	3.4	122.3	103.2	122.1	113.8	143.2	121.8	126.9	135.2
Apr	120.4	-0.2	2.3	122.7	103.6	121.7	113.5	140.7	122.6	126.9	135.3
May	120.4	0.0	1.9	123.3	103.8	121.9	112.1	138.7	121.9	128.7	136.3
Jun	120.2	-0.2	1.7	123.3	103.8	122.0	110.4	138.2	121.7	128.4	136.4
Jul	120.5	0.2	1.7	123.3	103.8	122.3	111.4	138.6	122.2	129.5	136.4
Aug	120.9	0.3	1.9	123.3	103.9	122.4	109.4	141.0	123.5	129.6	136.8
Sep	121.2	0.2	2.0	122.4	103.7	123.1	113.0	139.9	123.9	133.6	137.0
Oct	120.6	-0.5	1.6	122.3	104.3	122.5	112.5	136.3	124.2	132.3	136.9
Nov	120.8	0.2	1.6	123.5	104.2	122.7	110.1	138.2	123.3	130.9	137.0
Dec	120.9	0.1	1.8	124.4	104.5	122.7	108.8	138.1	122.6	130.3	138.5

Canada

Year	All Items	% Change		Food	Shelter	Household Operation	Clothing Footwear	Trans- portation	Health & Personal	Recreation Education	Alcohol Tobacco	
		Annual Average										
2000	113.5	2.7		112.2	108.8	110.0	105.5	130.7	112.0	122.5	97.6	
2001	116.4	2.6		117.2	112.8	112.2	106.0	130.8	114.2	124.3	105.1	
2002	119.0	2.2		120.3	113.8	113.8	105.2	134.4	115.5	126.3	123.6	
2003	122.3	2.8		122.4	117.5	114.6	103.3	141.4	117.0	127.3	136.0	
2002		Month	Year									
	Jan	116.2	0.3	1.3	120.0	113.0	112.9	102.3	126.9	114.3	122.3	112.2
	Feb	116.9	0.6	1.5	120.6	113.1	113.1	105.4	127.5	114.8	124.1	112.9
	Mar	117.7	0.7	1.8	120.4	113.1	113.7	107.1	130.5	114.5	124.9	114.1
	Apr	118.4	0.6	1.7	120.9	112.8	113.9	106.6	133.8	115.3	124.7	116.8
	May	118.6	0.2	1.0	120.4	113.1	113.8	104.6	134.1	115.7	126.8	118.8
	Jun	119.0	0.3	1.3	120.9	113.1	114.0	104.2	134.0	115.9	127.2	124.1
	Jul	119.6	0.5	2.1	120.9	113.2	114.2	105.0	135.4	115.4	128.4	129.5
	Aug	120.1	0.4	2.6	120.2	114.2	114.3	105.0	137.0	115.6	128.5	129.8
	Sep	120.1	0.0	2.3	119.2	114.6	113.8	107.3	136.8	115.7	128.7	129.9
	Oct	120.5	0.3	3.2	118.5	115.8	113.9	107.1	137.9	116.2	127.7	131.2
	Nov	120.8	0.2	4.3	120.4	115.7	114.0	105.2	139.2	116.2	126.7	131.9
Dec	120.4	-0.3	3.9	121.2	114.0	114.0	102.3	140.1	116.1	126.0	131.6	
2003												
	Jan	121.4	0.8	4.5	122.3	116.2	113.9	101.6	141.9	116.1	125.4	132.0
	Feb	122.3	0.7	4.6	122.1	116.7	114.5	103.8	144.1	116.4	127.1	133.5
	Mar	122.8	0.4	4.3	122.4	117.4	114.5	105.5	144.6	116.1	126.7	133.8
	Apr	121.9	-0.7	3.0	122.4	116.5	114.5	103.8	141.8	116.8	126.3	134.5
	May	122.0	0.1	2.9	122.8	117.1	114.5	103.4	139.8	117.1	127.2	136.2
	Jun	122.1	0.1	2.6	123.2	117.7	114.5	101.0	139.5	116.8	127.6	136.4
	Jul	122.2	0.1	2.2	123.2	117.6	114.6	101.6	139.9	116.9	127.9	136.6
	Aug	122.5	0.2	2.0	122.1	117.7	114.7	101.8	142.4	117.4	128.0	137.1
	Sep	122.7	0.2	2.2	121.3	117.9	115.1	105.0	141.9	117.6	128.9	137.1
	Oct	122.4	-0.2	1.6	121.1	118.2	115.1	105.0	139.7	117.7	128.3	137.0
	Nov	122.7	0.2	1.6	122.3	118.3	114.9	104.2	140.9	118.0	127.5	137.6
Dec	122.8	0.1	2.0	123.4	118.8	114.9	102.5	140.8	117.6	126.5	140.1	

December 2003 Consumer Price Index (1992=100), Selected Items

BRITISH COLUMBIA		Rented Accommodation	Owned Accommodation	Energy for Dwellings			Motor Gasoline	Energy*	Excluding Excluding Food	Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	Excluding Food & Energy
				Fuel Oil/							
				Piped Gas	Other Fuel	Electricity¹					
	2000	110.7	89.0	167.4	137.6	105.7	134.3	130.8	113.4	111.5	111.9
	2001	111.9	89.7	222.9	141.0	91.9	134.3	134.3	114.7	113.3	113.0
	2002	113.5	89.7	198.6	131.6	106.3	135.7	135.9	117.3	115.5	115.7
	2003	114.7	91.3	223.7	151.0	106.9	148.4	144.9	119.9	117.8	117.8
2002	Jan	112.7	89.2	198.6	123.7	106.1	113.2	123.7	114.3	113.4	113.5
	Feb	112.9	89.2	198.6	119.3	106.1	113.4	123.6	114.9	113.8	114.1
	Mar	113.0	88.9	198.6	121.6	106.1	126.4	130.5	115.9	114.3	114.6
	Apr	113.1	89.4	198.6	130.8	106.1	137.3	136.6	116.9	115.4	115.1
	May	113.3	89.6	198.6	132.2	106.1	139.9	138.0	117.6	115.8	115.7
	Jun	113.5	90.0	198.6	132.2	106.1	140.4	138.3	117.7	115.9	115.9
	Jul	113.6	89.9	198.6	132.2	106.5	141.8	139.3	118.2	116.1	116.3
	Aug	113.8	89.8	198.6	132.2	106.5	142.6	139.7	118.3	116.3	116.4
	Sep	113.8	89.7	198.6	136.2	106.5	144.5	140.8	118.6	116.3	116.7
	Oct	114.0	90.1	198.6	141.2	106.5	146.5	142.1	118.7	116.2	116.6
	Nov	114.1	90.5	198.6	141.0	106.5	144.5	141.0	118.5	116.4	116.5
	Dec	114.2	90.6	198.6	136.6	106.5	138.1	137.5	118.2	116.3	116.5
2003	Jan	114.2	90.5	202.7	143.4	106.8	141.6	139.8	118.4	116.5	116.5
	Feb	114.3	90.6	202.7	150.5	106.8	154.0	146.1	119.3	117.0	117.0
	Mar	114.4	90.8	205.7	178.6	106.8	167.4	153.5	120.2	118.0	117.4
	Apr	114.5	91.0	230.3	165.0	106.8	153.1	147.9	119.9	117.8	117.5
	May	114.5	91.3	230.3	149.8	106.8	142.0	142.1	119.8	117.7	117.8
	Jun	114.6	91.3	230.3	149.8	106.8	142.2	142.2	119.6	117.6	117.6
	Jul	114.7	91.3	230.3	149.8	107.0	144.0	143.2	119.9	117.8	117.9
	Aug	114.7	91.3	230.3	149.8	107.0	160.0	151.0	120.4	118.2	117.8
	Sep	114.8	91.1	230.3	151.1	107.0	157.3	149.8	121.0	118.6	118.5
	Oct	114.9	91.9	230.3	140.2	107.0	140.0	141.0	120.3	118.0	118.5
	Nov	115.0	91.8	230.3	138.6	107.0	141.1	141.6	120.3	118.1	118.4
	Dec	115.2	92.1	230.3	145.4	107.0	138.5	140.4	120.2	118.2	119.4

¹ electricity figure for 2001 reflects BC Hydro rebates in February and March

CANADA		Rented Accom- modation	Owned Accom- modation	Energy for Dwellings			Motor Gasoline	Energy*	Excluding Excluding Food	All Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	All Items Excluding Food & Energy
				Fuel Oil/ Electricity							
				Piped Gas	Other Fuel						
	2000	111.5	102.9	158.9	143.2	109.2	131.7	128.1	113.9	115.0	112.2
	2001	113.3	105.9	206.0	143.5	111.1	128.3	132.3	116.3	117.7	114.4
	2002	115.5	107.6	168.7	131.8	119.6	127.2	129.6	118.8	119.6	117.5
	2003	117.2	110.9	219.5	151.5	117.2	135.4	139.9	122.4	122.5	120.5
2002	Jan	114.4	106.5	191.2	120.5	116.3	110.3	121.8	115.5	117.2	114.7
	Feb	114.6	106.6	190.5	119.7	116.1	111.8	122.4	116.2	117.9	115.4
	Mar	114.7	106.7	176.6	122.7	119.3	122.1	127.2	117.2	118.7	116.0
	Apr	115.0	107.1	153.9	130.2	119.4	130.4	129.4	117.9	119.3	116.5
	May	115.2	107.4	155.4	130.1	119.4	128.0	128.4	118.3	119.4	117.0
	Jun	115.4	107.7	153.9	130.1	117.2	126.9	127.0	118.6	119.5	117.5
	Jul	115.6	107.7	145.2	130.1	121.0	130.4	129.0	119.4	120.0	118.2
	Aug	115.9	107.8	147.7	130.1	129.2	133.6	133.4	120.2	120.5	118.5
	Sep	116.0	107.8	155.4	135.1	128.9	133.9	134.6	120.4	120.5	118.7
	Oct	116.2	108.4	184.2	144.2	125.5	136.0	138.4	121.0	120.8	118.9
	Nov	116.4	108.7	183.4	144.8	122.7	133.5	136.2	121.0	121.2	119.2
	Dec	116.5	109.2	187.1	144.5	99.7	130.0	127.6	120.2	120.7	119.3
2003	Jan	116.6	109.4	201.3	158.1	118.4	138.0	140.4	121.3	121.7	119.2
	Feb	116.7	109.7	203.5	176.9	118.4	147.7	146.5	122.4	122.6	119.9
	Mar	116.8	110.0	218.1	198.9	118.3	149.1	149.5	122.9	123.1	120.2
	Apr	116.9	110.3	230.3	163.0	106.3	135.7	137.4	121.9	122.2	120.2
	May	117.0	110.6	210.2	143.7	117.9	126.4	134.4	121.9	122.2	120.4
	Jun	117.1	110.9	228.3	143.7	119.0	127.9	137.0	121.9	122.3	120.2
	Jul	117.2	110.9	226.2	143.7	117.9	130.3	137.6	122.0	122.4	120.3
	Aug	117.4	110.9	223.6	143.7	118.3	142.0	143.5	122.7	122.7	120.5
	Sep	117.5	111.1	232.2	138.0	118.2	141.0	143.4	123.1	122.9	120.9
	Oct	117.7	112.0	213.0	132.7	118.5	131.7	137.0	122.7	122.6	121.1
	Nov	117.8	112.1	221.7	135.8	117.1	127.9	135.4	122.8	122.9	121.4
	Dec	117.9	112.4	225.6	140.3	118.5	127.3	136.2	122.7	122.9	121.2

* Energy includes Piped Gas, Fuel Oil/Other Fuel, Electricity, and Motor Gasoline

December 2003 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

Vancouver

		% Change		Accommodation			Water, Fuel
Year	All Items	Annual Average		Shelter	Rented	Owned	Electricity
2000	113.9	2.2		100.8	110.2	90.6	135.7
2001	116.0	1.8		103.3	111.5	91.4	153.0
2002	118.6	2.2		103.4	113.1	91.3	150.0
2003	121.0	2.0		105.0	114.4	92.6	154.6
2002		Month	Year				
Jan	116.3	0.4	0.9	102.8	112.2	90.7	149.6
Feb	116.6	0.3	2.4	102.9	112.5	90.7	149.5
Mar	117.4	0.7	3.0	102.7	112.6	90.4	149.7
Apr	118.4	0.9	2.3	103.3	112.8	91.3	149.9
May	119.0	0.5	2.3	103.6	113.0	91.6	149.8
Jun	119.0	0.0	1.7	103.5	113.1	91.4	149.8
Jul	119.2	0.2	1.9	103.6	113.3	91.4	150.1
Aug	119.3	0.1	2.0	103.5	113.4	91.2	150.1
Sep	119.6	0.3	1.8	103.5	113.5	91.1	150.3
Oct	119.6	0.0	2.7	103.8	113.6	91.6	150.6
Nov	119.7	0.1	3.5	104.0	113.7	91.9	150.4
Dec	119.5	-0.2	3.2	104.1	113.9	91.9	150.2
2003							
Jan	119.7	0.2	2.9	104.1	113.9	91.8	150.7
Feb	120.3	0.5	3.2	104.2	114.0	92.0	150.8
Mar	121.2	0.7	3.2	104.6	114.1	92.4	151.5
Apr	121.0	-0.2	2.2	105.1	114.3	92.5	155.9
May	120.9	-0.1	1.6	105.2	114.3	92.7	155.7
Jun	120.8	-0.1	1.5	105.2	114.4	92.8	155.7
Jul	120.9	0.1	1.4	105.2	114.4	92.7	155.7
Aug	121.5	0.5	1.8	105.1	114.5	92.6	155.7
Sep	121.8	0.2	1.8	105.0	114.7	92.3	155.8
Oct	121.3	-0.4	1.4	105.5	114.8	93.0	155.7
Nov	121.4	0.1	1.4	105.5	114.8	92.9	155.7
Dec	121.6	0.2	1.8	105.7	115.0	93.2	155.8

Victoria

Year	All Items	% Change		Shelter	Accommodation		Water, Fuel	
		Annual Average			Rented	Owned	Electricity	
2000	113.0	1.7		99.2	110.5	89.1	118.8	
2001	114.3	1.2		98.9	111.4	89.8	110.3	
2002	117.4	2.7		100.8	113.2	90.2	120.5	
2003	120.0	2.2		102.9	114.3	92.3	124.6	
2002		Month	Year					
	Jan	114.9	0.5	1.0	100.1	112.3	89.7	119.1
	Feb	115.4	0.4	3.7	100.0	112.6	89.6	118.3
	Mar	116.1	0.6	3.3	99.9	112.6	89.3	118.6
	Apr	117.1	0.9	2.5	100.2	112.7	89.5	120.2
	May	117.6	0.4	2.4	100.4	113.0	89.6	120.5
	Jun	117.8	0.2	2.1	100.9	113.1	90.3	120.5
	Jul	118.1	0.3	2.3	101.0	113.4	90.4	120.5
	Aug	118.3	0.2	2.7	101.0	113.4	90.3	120.5
	Sep	118.4	0.1	2.3	100.9	113.5	90.1	121.0
	Oct	118.3	-0.1	2.7	101.6	113.7	90.9	122.0
	Nov	118.6	0.3	3.7	101.9	113.8	91.3	122.5
Dec	118.4	-0.2	3.6	101.9	113.9	91.3	122.1	
2003								
	Jan	118.7	0.3	3.3	101.9	114.0	91.2	123.2
	Feb	119.2	0.4	3.3	102.1	114.0	91.3	123.8
	Mar	120.1	0.8	3.4	102.5	114.1	91.4	128.4
	Apr	119.9	-0.2	2.4	102.6	114.2	91.7	127.1
	May	119.9	0.0	2.0	102.8	114.1	92.2	124.6
	Jun	119.7	-0.2	1.6	102.8	114.1	92.1	124.6
	Jul	120.1	0.3	1.7	103.0	114.2	92.4	124.9
	Aug	120.5	0.3	1.9	103.2	114.3	92.6	124.9
	Sep	120.8	0.2	2.0	102.8	114.4	92.1	124.6
	Oct	120.4	-0.3	1.8	103.7	114.6	93.4	122.9
	Nov	120.5	0.1	1.6	103.5	114.7	93.2	122.9
Dec	120.7	0.2	1.9	103.9	114.9	93.6	123.7	

British Columbia Consumer Price Index, Annual Averages, Selected Items (1992=100)

	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
ALL-ITEMS	105.5	107.9	108.9	109.7	110.0	111.2	113.3	115.2	117.9	120.4
% change from previous year	1.9	2.3	0.9	0.7	0.3	1.1	1.9	1.7	2.3	2.1
Food	104.2	107.3	108.1	110.8	112.5	113.6	113.0	117.4	120.6	122.8
% change from previous year	1.2	3.0	0.7	2.5	1.5	1.0	-0.5	3.9	2.7	1.8
Shelter	104.0	103.9	102.0	100.5	98.6	98.1	99.6	101.2	101.9	103.7
% change from previous year	0.8	-0.1	-1.8	-1.5	-1.9	-0.5	1.5	1.6	0.7	1.8
Rented Accommodation	104.4	106.1	107.8	109.0	109.7	110.2	110.7	111.9	113.5	114.7
% change from previous year	2.0	1.6	1.6	1.1	0.6	0.5	0.5	1.1	1.4	1.1
Owned Accommodation	102.5	101.7	98.1	94.3	91.0	89.0	89.0	89.7	89.7	91.3
% change from previous year	-0.9	-0.8	-3.5	-3.9	-3.5	-2.2	0.0	0.8	0.0	1.8
Household Operations & Furnishings	103.8	106.4	108.6	110.0	113.9	115.5	116.9	118.0	121.0	122.3
% change from previous year	1.1	2.5	2.1	1.3	3.5	1.4	1.2	0.9	2.5	1.1
Clothing & Footwear	104.4	105.2	105.1	107.0	108.9	110.1	112.1	112.6	112.6	111.4
% change from previous year	2.4	0.8	-0.1	1.8	1.8	1.1	1.8	0.4	0.0	-1.1
Transportation	110.9	116.1	119.8	120.9	119.4	123.3	130.0	130.5	135.0	139.3
% change from previous year	5.3	4.7	3.2	0.9	-1.2	3.3	5.4	0.4	3.4	3.2
Health & Personal Care	106.5	107.1	107.9	109.5	112.1	114.9	116.7	119.7	121.9	122.8
% change from previous year	2.9	0.6	0.7	1.5	2.4	2.5	1.6	2.6	1.8	0.7
Recreation, Education & Reading	107.1	112.9	115.8	117.2	118.1	119.1	121.2	122.6	124.7	129.0
% change from previous year	3.9	5.4	2.6	1.2	0.8	0.8	1.8	1.2	1.7	3.4
Education	110.9	118.8	124.3	126.4	129.7	132.1	134.6	135.6	144.2	168.1
% change from previous year	6.9	7.1	4.6	1.7	2.6	1.9	1.9	0.7	6.3	16.6
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Prods	101.8	102.7	104.6	107.2	108.6	109.1	109.7	112.3	126.7	136.0
% change from previous year	-2.5	0.9	1.9	2.5	1.3	0.5	0.5	2.4	12.8	7.3
Cigarettes	94.1	94.2	95.4	97.9	99.2	100.5	101.7	104.9	131.7	151.3
% change from previous year	-9.7	0.1	1.3	2.6	1.3	1.3	1.2	3.1	25.5	14.9
Energy	105.5	107.4	109.1	110.8	103.7	110.4	130.8	134.3	135.9	144.9
% change from previous year	3.3	1.8	1.6	1.6	-6.4	6.5	18.5	2.7	1.2	6.6
Electricity	106.8	103.0	104.8	104.4	104.6	105.6	105.7	91.9	106.3	106.9
% change from previous year	2.6	-3.6	1.7	-0.4	-0.8	1.0	0.1	-13.1	15.7	0.6
Piped Gas	112.1	110.6	103.5	104.5	116.7	129.4	167.4	222.9	198.6	223.7
% change from previous year	7.6	-1.3	-6.4	10.6	1.9	10.9	29.4	33.2	-10.9	12.6
Fuel Oil & Other Fuel	101.8	102.7	106.7	112.5	103.8	106.6	137.6	141.0	131.6	151.0
% change from previous year	0.4	0.9	3.9	5.4	-7.7	2.7	29.1	2.5	-6.7	14.7
Motor Gasoline	102.6	108.0	111.6	111.3	98.5	107.3	134.3	134.3	135.7	148.4
% change from previous year	2.2	5.3	3.3	-0.3	-11.5	8.9	25.2	0.0	1.0	9.4
All-Items Excluding Food	105.9	108.1	109.1	109.5	109.5	110.7	113.4	114.7	117.3	119.9
% change from previous year	2.2	2.1	0.9	0.4	0.0	1.1	2.4	1.1	2.3	2.2
All-Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	105.8	108.3	109.2	110.0	108.2	109.4	111.5	113.3	115.5	117.8
% change from previous year	2.3	2.4	0.8	0.7	-1.6	1.1	1.9	1.6	1.9	2.0
All-Items Excluding Food & Energy	105.9	108.2	109.1	109.5	110.1	110.8	111.9	113.0	115.7	117.8
% change from previous year	2.1	2.2	0.8	0.4	0.5	0.6	1.0	1.0	2.4	1.8

